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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

DATE: December 3, 2015

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Norma Jean Sass 7

Deputy Superintendent, Education Services

SUBJECT: Workshop for New Early/Middle College Schools and Programs

On Friday, February 26, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) and the Michigan Early/Middle College Association will host a workshop for districts and public school academies interested in starting an Early/Middle College (E/MC) high school entity or program. The meeting will be held at the Event Center on the campus of Mott Community College in Flint. The MDE and Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) staff will be on hand to share the benefits, various models, and reporting requirements for E/MCs in Michigan. The agenda may be viewed at the registration website listed below.

Please note that seating is limited. Registrations will be accepted for up to three registrants per district, on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be no onsite registration for this event. Registration is open beginning December 1, 2015, and will close at noon on February 12, 2016 at E/MC Getting Started Workshop Registration. Individuals requiring additional services or alternative formats for printed materials to participate in the meeting may contact the Conference and Professional Services at Ferris State University by calling 231-591-5820 with your request.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn Gateway Center, 5353 Gateway Center, Flint, Michigan, under the name of "MEMCA" for Thursday, February 25, 2016. The rooms are available at the State rate of \$75.00 plus tax. To make a room reservation please contact the Holiday Inn Gateway Center directly at 810-232-5300.

In the meantime, if you have questions regarding E/MCs, please visit our website at MDE - Early/Middle College. For questions regarding the February 26th workshop, please contact Beverly Brown, OCTE Program Consultant, at 517-335-4670 or by email at brownb21@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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